UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Commissioner for Patents
United States Patent and Trademark Office
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450
www.uspto.gov

Patrick J. Halloran Aventis Pasteur Knerr Building Swiftwater PA 18370

COPY MAILED

SEP 1 6 2005

OFFICE OF PETITIONS

In re Application of

Veronique BARBAN et al.

Application No. 10/735,064

ON PETITION

Filed: December 12, 2003

Attorney Docket No. API-02-14-US

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b), filed July 18, 2005, to revive the above-identified application.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

The above-identified application became abandoned for failure to reply in a timely manner to the restriction requirement mailed January 5, 2005, which set a shortened statutory period for reply of one (1) month. No extensions of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) were obtained. Accordingly, the above-identified application became abandoned on February 6, 2005.

The petition satisfies the conditions for revival pursuant to the provisions of 37 CFR 1.137(b) in that (1) the reply in the form of an election; (2) the petition fee of \$1500; and the required statement of unintentional delay have been received. Accordingly, the reply to the restriction requirement of January 5, 2005 is accepted as having been unintentionally delayed.

The file does not indicate a change of address has been submitted, although the address given on the petition differs from the address of record. If appropriate, a change of address should be filed in accordance with MPP 601.03. A courtesy copy of this decision is being mailed to the address given on the petition; however, the office will mail all future correspondence solely to the address of record.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to David A. Bucci at (571) 272-7099 or in his absence, the undersigned at (571) 272-3217.

The application file is being referred to Technology Center AU 1648 for appropriate action on the concurrently filed election.

Petitions Examiner

Office of Petitions

Cc: Patrick J. Halloran 3141 Muirfield Road Center Valley, PA 18034